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COORDINATING COMMITTEE

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

ON

ITEM 1485 - COMPASSES AND GYROSCOPIC EQUIPMENT

Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Docs. Nos. 3700.1 and 5, 3714.00/1, 3714.85/1, W.P. 1485/1 and 2.

1. The CHAIRMAN opened the second round of discussion on Item 1485 by inviting Delegations to give views on the only point outstanding, i.e. the addition of a Note to sub-items (d) and (e) as suggested by the German Delegation.
2. The GERMAN Delegation explained that their Note, which was intended to achieve the aim of the United Kingdom proposal recorded in paragraph 1 of COCOM Doc. No. 3714.85/1, might be worded as follows:  
  
"Governments may permit as administrative exceptions the shipment of reasonable quantities of commercial airborne equipment needed to equip Sino-Soviet Bloc civilian aircraft, provided the equipment is equivalent in all characteristics and performance to equipment used for at least two years as standard equipment of aircraft not covered by Item 1460. These shipments should be reported immediately."
3. The BELGIAN, FRENCH, ITALIAN, JAPANESE and UNITED KINGDOM Delegations were able to agree to the addition of the above Note.
4. The UNITED STATES Delegation were without final instructions on the proposed German Note. They recalled that their views on the original United Kingdom proposal had not been favourable. Their primary concern in this connexion was the degree to which the suggested amendment would open up the shipment in quantity of equipment which might be used in the Sino-Soviet Bloc for military purposes, or from which the latter might obtain technological know-how. The United States Delegation further believed that the Bloc were short of such equipment and generally-speaking behind the West. They felt, however, that the German Note as worded in paragraph 2 above warranted study and undertook to inform the Committee upon receipt of further instructions from their authorities.
5. The COMMITTEE agreed to resume study of Item 1485 on the 14th December, if no further views had been received from the United States Delegation in the meantime.

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